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## **Waste Tire Management Program Begins Work to Rid Kentucky of Improperly Disposed Waste Tires**

During the 1998 General Assembly legislation passed, HB 636, that established a waste tire management program. Improperly disposed of waste tires pose a significant environmental and health risk to the state as a breeding place for disease carrying mosquitos and as a fire hazard.

New tire buyers will notice a \$1 fee for each tire they purchase. Retailers are required to accept one waste tire for each new tire sold to a customer. The retailer is then responsible for proper disposal of the used tire.

Money generated from the \$1 fee will be used to clean existing tire piles throughout the state. Primarily, this will be accomplished through county-based tire amnesty programs. HB 636 allows counties to collect waste tires on an one-time basis from citizens, farmers and small businesses at no cost and provides for a contractor to remove tires. By the year 2002, all 120 counties in the Commonwealth will have had a waste tire amnesty day.

The program began this fall and five counties will have amnesty. The first set of waste tire amnesty days happened between October 15-17 in Rowan County. During that clean up effort over 25,000 tires were brought into collection sites in the county. Montgomery County's effort was next on October 24-26. Efforts there brought in more than 15,000 waste tires. On October 30, 31 and November 1, Morgan County collected over 10,000 waste tires. Most of these tires turned in are reused as a fuel supplement at electrical power plants, recycled, or for some other beneficial reuse such as material for bush hog tires.

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## **The Kentucky, Salt, and Licking River Basins Will Subject of Upcoming Conferences**

In the next four weeks three Watershed Watch Watershed Protection Conferences will be held to discuss the condition of the Kentucky, Salt and Licking River watersheds. These conferences are opportunities for citizens to provide input into the Watershed Management Initiative that is on-going in Kentucky. The goals of the watershed conferences are:

- to bring observations and concerns of participants to the attention of resource management agencies;
- to continue expanding knowledge and skills in water resources protection;
- to provide networking opportunities for individuals and organizations working in the field;
- to develop common goals for the future of the watersheds; and
- to raise awareness of watershed issues

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## **\$60,000 in Nonpoint Source Environmental Education Mini-Grants to Be Made Available**

The Kentucky Waterways Alliance (KWA) announced that applications for the award of \$60,000 in mini-grants will be accepted soon. The grants will go to 10 to 30 locally-based water groups, schools, conservation agencies and other nonprofit groups for community based runoff pollution education. Nonpoint source pollution comes from runoff from farms, logging, construction activities, our lawns and streets.

Grants of between \$2,000 and \$5,000 must be matched by an equal amount in the form of volunteer time to the project and

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### **MEETINGS/CONFERENCES**

**Nov. 6-8 – Sierra Club Cumberland Chapter Annual Meeting** - Jenny Wiley State Park, Prestonsburg. Contact: Amy Lawson, 800-325-0142.

**Nov. 12-13 – KY Mining Institute 59th Annual Meeting** - Lexington Center, Heritage Hall, Lexington. Contact: Geaunita Caylor, KMI, 606-257-2820 or [gcaylor@engr.uky.edu](mailto:gcaylor@engr.uky.edu).

**Nov. 14 – KY Native Plant Society's Annual Fall Meeting** - Salato Wildlife Ctr., Frankfort. Registration required. Contact KY F&W, 800-858-1549.

**Nov. 15 – 2nd Annual America Recycles Day** - see web page (<http://www.americarecyclesday.org>) for more information or call Ann Brandt, DWM, at 502-564-6716.

**Nov. 17 – The Leadership Challenge Ahead Conference** - Radisson Hotel, Lexington. 1/2 day workshop entitled **Civic Entrepreneurship and Grassroots Leadership** is scheduled for the 17th. To register contact the KY Long-Term Policy Research Ctr. at 800-853-2851 or at [www.state.ky.us/ltpcr/home.htm](http://www.state.ky.us/ltpcr/home.htm).

**Nov. 17-18 & Dec. 3-4 – Practical Compliance with EPA Regulations** - November session will be conducted at Marriott's Griffin Gate Resort, 1800 Newton Pike, Lexington. December session will be the Holiday Inn South, 3317 Fern Valley Rd., Louisville. Contact: KY Chamber of Commerce, 502-695-4700.

**Dec. 5 – Salt River Watershed Conference** - Meeting will discuss water quality findings and develop plans for continued citizen monitoring and involvement in the watershed management of Salt River. Contact: Russ Barnett, KIESD, 502-852-1851.

**Dec. 9 – Environmental Epidemiological Studies Supporting New Particulate (PM 2.5) Standards** - Dr. Loel Schwartz, Prof. of Env. Epidemiology, Harvard U. Vogt Bldg., Rm 311, UofL, Louisville. Contact: Russ Barnett, KIESD, 502-852-1851.

**Feb. 26 – KY Water Resources Annual Symposium** - Wyndham Garden, Lexington. Contact: Kim King, UK, 606-257-4634

### **PUBLIC NOTICES/HEARINGS**

#### **KY Division of Waste Management - Hazardous Waste Notices**

**\* A&S Fabricating Co.. Livermore (McLean Co.)10/24/98**  
**Closure Plan for**

**\* The Ensign-Bickford Co. (Muhlenburg Co.)** - Submitted a permit application for a hazardous waste treatment unit for an open burn area. Contact: Michael Welch, DWM, 502-564-6716.

#### **KY Division of Waste Management - UST Notices**

**\* Bigfoot**, 9807 Old 3rd St., Valley Station (6190-056)

**\* KP Oil Co.**, 1467 W. Lexington Ave., Winchester (9046-025)

**\* Miller Service Station**, 705 Main St., Sacramento (6543-075)

**\* #9330** (formerly Speedway), 2172 Nicholasville Rd., Lexington (6197-034)

**\* Mass Marathon**, 373 N. Bardstown Rd., Mt. Washington (3428-015)

*The above notice involves corrective action plans to remediate groundwater or soil contamination from an underground storage tank. Contact: Roy Johnson, 502-564-6716, ext. 223.*

#### **KY Division of Water - KPDES Water Permit Notices**

**\* Big Lots, Pikeville (Pike Co.)** - An existing sanitary discharge from a retail store that enter Ratliff is being denied because the Mountain Water District's sewage system is located within one mile of the store. (KY 008-4441). Contact: Jason Balough, DOW, 502-564-3410.

**\* City of Elkton, Elkton (Todd Co.)** - a modification to the pretreatment program for its publicly owned treatment works (POTW). The modification will result in the revision of a local discharge limitations for the plant. **Public comment** is due by Nov. 23. (PT 98-009) Contact: Judy Ziegler, 502-564-3410, ext. 465.


**\* 18 Water Discharge Permit Issuances/Reissuances** - (Public Notice 1998 35-37). Public comment is due by Nov. 16. Contact: Judy Ziegler, 502-564-3410, ext. 465.

#### **KY Division for Air Quality - Notices**


**\* Smith A.O. Electric, Scottsville (Allen Co.)** - Title V operating permit for electrical motor manufacturer. (log# F358)

**\* Corning, Inc., Harrodsburg (Mercer Co.)** - Title V operating permit for glass manufacturer. (log#F446).

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Meeting Announcement



# EQC Annual Working Retreat

## November 19-20

### Shakertown Village

*All EQC meetings are free and open to the public. Meeting facilities are accessible to people with disabilities. Auxiliary aids, interpreters, and other services will be provided upon request by contacting EQC.*

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- \* **Boulevard Distillers, Lawrenceburg (Anderson Co.)** - Title V operating permit for distiller. (log#F472)
- \* **North American Stainless, Ghent (Carroll Co.)** - significant revisions to Title V operating permit for lime unloading operation. (log#F745)
- \* **CCL Container Corp., Carrollton (Carroll Co.)** - conditional major source operating permit for fabricated metal manufacturer so that Title V regulations do not apply. (log#E467)
- \* **Louisville Bedding Co., Munfordville (Hart Co.)** - conditional major source construction/operating permit for low melt line process. (log#F664)
- \* **Semicon Associates, Lexington (Fayette Co.)** - Title V operating permit for manufacturer of electrical components. (log#F466)
- \* **Sonoco Products, Inc., Henderson (Henderson Co.)** - Title V operating permit for aluminum manufacturing process. (log#F507)

U.S. EPA Underground Injection Wells - Notices

- \* **Dennis Beatty, Ohio Co. (KY98UIC022)** - notice of intent to deny an underground injection control permit due to operator failure to submit information to verify the construction of injection wells.
  - \* **Jarvis Drilling, Inc., Henderson Co. (KY98UIC023)** - notice of intent to terminate an underground injection control permit because injection well is no longer needed.
  - \* **Farrar Oil Company, Muhlenberg Co. (KY98UIC024)** - notice of intent to terminate an underground injection control permit at the request of the operator.
- For all the above notices caontact William Mann, USEPA, Ground-water/Drinking Water Branch at 404-562-9429, ext. 29452.

FEDERAL NOTICES

- \* **Daniel Boone National Forest (DBNF)** is requesting public input into proposed US Forest Service actions.  
London District - **Construct Structures for Red-cockaded Woodpecker Management:** input due by end of Nov.  
**Canada Goose Field Maintenance:** input due by end of Dec.  
**Cave Gate Construction:** input due by the end of Jan 1999.  
Somerset District - **Pre-Commercial Thinning:** input due by end of Dec. **OHV Loop Trail Systems:** input due by end of Nov.  
Redbird District - **B&B Resources, Inc.** has submitted an application for permits to drill four gas wells. Public input due by Nov. 15, 1998. **Redbird Work Center:** inout due by Nov. 15, 1998.

During November two more waste tire amnesty days are scheduled: Menifee County on November 5-7 and Bath County on November 12-14. Planning for next year's amnesty days are on-going and details will be announced the first part of next year.

For more information about the waste tire amnesty program contact Charlie Peters or Paul Rawlings, KY Division of Waste Management, at 502-564-6716.

Nov. 14	KY River	Midway College, Midway
Nov. 21	Licking River	Bourbon Co. Middle School, Paris
Dec. 5	Salt River	Uof L, Louisville

For more information about the upcoming conferences and Watershed Watch contact Betsy Bennett, KY Watershed Watch at 606-846-4905.

State Clean Water Act Triennial Review

The KY Division of Water is beginning the triennial review of state regulations that establish water quality standards. The division plans to file a Notice of Intent to promulgate administrative regulations with the Legislative Research Commission in December. The division, upon request, will hold preliminary discussions with interested parties on the regulations and anticipated changes to the present regulations.

The following regulations will be reviewed: 401 KAR 5:026, Classification of waters; 5:029, General provisions; 5:030, Nondegradation policy implementation methodology; and 5:031, Surface water standards.

Contact Tom VanArsdall or Terry Anderson, KY Division of Water, at 502-564-3410 for more information or to arrange a discussion.

America Recycles Day - November 15

Kentucky is participating in the second America Recycles Day - a nationwide celebration to help raise consumer awareness completing the recycling loop through the purchase of products and packing made from recycled-content materials. The theme this year is: *If you're not buying recycled, you're not really recycling.*

Schools, businesses, scout troops, churches, post offices, local governments and other organizations are encouraged to participate. For more information about the event contact Ann Brandt, KY Div. of Waste Management, by phone at 502-564-6716 or by e-mail at brandt@nrdep.nr.state.ky.us.

PUBLICATIONS

\*"*Loads and Yields of Sediment and Water-Quality Constituents in Kentuck Streams*" published by the United States Geological Survey. This publication describes the results a study to determine loads and yields of sediment and selected water-quality constituents for 20 Kentucky streams to establish the relative magnitude of constituent transport to streams from ground- and surface-water sources. For more information contact Angela Crain, USGS, at 502-493-1943.

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